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Dear Center Qualifier Participant and Parents:

Listed below are a few reminders for the upcoming Center Qualifier Tournament.

The Center Tournament is the qualifier for the OVTA District Qualifier. The top 23 players plus 2-4 alternates from each age group will be endorsed to compete in the District tournaments. The top 23 players in each age group will be endorsed in the following way:

- **The top 12 are automatically endorsed from their finish in the Center.
- **The remaining 11 spots and the alternates are chosen-based on strength and player records for the previous 12 months.

All players must "Play and Complete" the Center to be considered for endorsement to the OVTA Districts. A participant will not be endorsed if he/she does not finish the Center, i.e. defaulting after player believes he/she has made it far enough". Due to High School competition, the Boys 16's and 18's will play until qualification for the OVTA/Midwest Districts has been determined. 2006 qualification will be the quarterfinals of the front draw and quarterfinals of the feed in consolation with the remaining spots chosen from record and current ranking information. The Center will stop at this point. The OVTA/Midwest District quota for 2006 is 23.

All participants receiving District paperwork from the Tournament Committee must either register on-line at Lunken or register on-line at home and return completed paperwork within <u>2 days</u> upon finish of each age group.

All players in the Girls 12-under and the 18-under will be given District paperwork. Please consider playing in the District tournament as in most years past, those two age groups do not fill the full 64 draw – all players will most likely be guaranteed a spot in the Districts.

Please be assured that the Tournament Committee is aware of conflicts with high school tennis play, end of school year events, class trips, projects, proms, etc. We will attempt to work with you as much as possible, if we are told of a conflict early enough. However, there are time constraints in completing all age groups by the scheduled deadline. All players must be available during the scheduled dates of each age group.

Please contact me at 352-4022 or 321-1772 if you have any questions concerning the Center Qualifier.

Good Luck!!

Karen Montavon/Mike Frank – Tournament Director & Referee